

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Yamaura et al.  
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Art Unit: 1745  
Examiner: D. Yuan  
Docket No.: 112857-301

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**RESUBMISSION OF RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Applicants are resubmitting herewith the Response to Office Action that Applicants previously filed on February 27, 2004 in response to the Office Action dated August 27, 2003. Applicants are also submitting herewith a copy of the date-stamped postcard that indicates receipt of Applicants' previously-filed Response. This submission is being made in furtherance of the discussion regarding same between Mr. Thomas C. Basso, undersigned attorney of record, and Mr. Dah-Wei D. Yuan of the U.S. Patent Office on March 30, 2004. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that Applicants' Response submitted herewith as previously submitted be entered and examined on the merits.

Applicants do not believe that any fees are due and owing with respect to this submission. However, if any such fees are due, Applicants respectfully submit that the Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any such fee or any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-1818. Applicants further request that the undersigned attorney of record be contacted directly with any questions regarding this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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## AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 27, 2003, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.